



21st April, 1800.

*Read the first and second time, and committed to a committee of the whole house, to-morrow.*

## A Bill

For the appointment of Admirals for the Navy.

**B**E it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States, be, and hereby is authorized, by and with the advice of the Senate, to appoint a Vice Admiral to command the Navy of the United States, with four Rear Admirals to aid in the better management of it.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the pay of the Vice Admiral shall be            dollars per month, and            rations per day, or money, as an equivalent therefor. And that the pay of a Rear Admiral shall be            dollars per month, and            rations per day, or money therefor as an equivalent.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Vice Admiral shall only receive his pay and rations whilst actually employed in the command of a fleet, and a Rear Admiral only whilst employed in the command of a squadron in actual service.

1 Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That any Admiral, commissioned  
2 as above, not actually employed in the command of a fleet or  
3 squadron shall only be entitled to receive half his monthly pay  
4 and rations.

1 Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the Navy shall be divided  
2 into squadrons, and have such variety in the flags that each may be  
3 known under the description of White, Blue and Red.

1 Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That each Admiral whilst on duty  
2 shall be allowed a Captain to aid and assist him on board the ship on  
3 which he shall hoist his flag, to be taken out of the Captains in  
4 the Navy.